

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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I-85 LANE CLOSURES BETWEEN EXITS 51 AND 56

COWETA County – The Georgia Department of Transportation announces daily lane closures on Interstate 85 between Exit 51 (State Route 154/McCollum-Sharpsburg Road) and Exit 56 (Collinsworth Road/CR 548) beginning Monday, May 18, through Friday, May 22. The closures are subject to change based on weather conditions.

Fulton County:

Interstate 85 North and Southbound Lane Closures

Monday, May 18, daily through Friday, May 22

Near mileposts 54-55

TIME: 8:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.

1 left lane closed; 2 lanes remain open to traffic

For work near Exit 56 (Collingsworth Road/CR 548)

Coweta County:

Interstate 85 Northbound Lane Closures

Monday, May 18, daily through Friday, May 22

Near mileposts 52-53

TIME: 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

1 left lane closed; 2 lanes remain open to traffic

For work beginning near Exit 51 (State Route 154/McCollum-Sharpsburg Road)

Interstate 85 Southbound Lane Closures

Monday, May 18, daily through Friday, May 22

Near mileposts 53-52

TIME: 8:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.

1 left lane closed; 2 lanes remain open to traffic

For work beginning near Exit 51 (State Route 154/McCollum-Sharpsburg Road)

The scheduled completion date for this project is December 31, 2009. Motorists should expect shoulder and lane closures on a continuing basis and are advised to use extra caution in construction work zones.

Speed limits have been reduced and will be strictly enforced. Message boards, signs, barricades, barrels and cones will be utilized to alert and channel motorists through the area.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any other construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at www.511ga.org.

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